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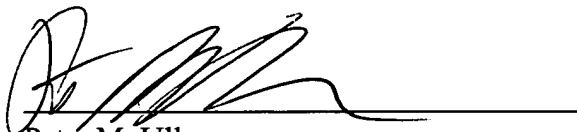
REMARKS

On May 25, 2004, the undersigned conducted a telephone interview with the Examiner regarding claim 51. The Examiner indicated that claim 51 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form, and that an after-final amendment would be entered to place claim 51 in that form. The present amendment cancels claims 1-50, and makes the appropriate change to claim 51.

Additionally, at a subsequent telephone conference on May 28, 2004, the Examiner indicated that a new claim that recited the same language as rewritten claim 51 but in computer-readable medium (Beauregard) form would also be allowable. Applicants have added new claim 52, which accomplishes this addition to the claims, and applicants submit that claim 52 should be entered, and should be allowed for the same reasons as claim 51.

Applicants thus submit that the after-final amendment places this case in condition for allowance, and request that the Examiner issue a Notice of Allowance in the next action.

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